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AMENDMENT

This amendment and remarks respond to the Official Action dated September 13, 2001. Applicant respectfully requests entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks in the above referenced application.

Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant hereby requests an extension of time for a period of two (2) months to respond to the Official Action up to and including February 13, 2002. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the small entity extension fee of \$200 for the two month extension and any other required fees associated with this paper to Deposit Account No. 23-1703.

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 1 that precedes the heading CROSSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS, which was added by preliminary amendment, with the

following:

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